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THE BIG DIG

By Nancy Allchin and Dick Hutzler

Photos by Bob Davies; Illustrations courtesy Ms. Allchin

"The Big Dig", of course, is a term originally applied to the famous and somewhat infamous underground motor expressway skirting the waterfront of Boston, Massachusetts. Compared to that, our own "Big Dig" is miniscule. On the other hand, however, as a portion of Broadmead's campus, it borders on humongous. The dimensions of the full Storm Water Management Pond are approximately 11 feet deep, 1500 feet long and 1000 feet wide. Very approximately, that surface area works out to roughly eighteen acres -- which is no small portion of the developed area of our campus.

As it stands at this writing, the pond is a big hole in the ground with gently sloping banks, the whole purpose of which is to slow the rate of runoff of storm water into Western Run by accumulating it during the storm and relatively slowly draining it off after the deluge, somewhat purifying it in the process. A few notable features are visible. The most notable one is a sizeable rectangular concrete "riser", topped by a self-describing "brush screen"; this will be the major outlet for excess storm water, once the water reaches the top of the concrete. Other small structures are mainly inlets for rain water from different parts of the campus, and a standpipe which will ultimately be cut down some, presumably to the level of the small permanent pond that will be kept in the bottom of the basin. At this writing, the preliminary seeding of the banks is just showing green.



Mr. Eric Hadaway came to explain to us the "whys and wherefores" of the Big Dig. He is a vice president of the firm of Daft McCune Walker in charge of environmental compliance. He is well suited to his job as he has had a love of the outdoors and all living things since childhood. He explained that the construction of Cluster W and the anticipated health center required a revision of the campus's storm water management facility, because buildings, parking lots and roadways create impervious surfaces that prevent rainwater from soaking into the ground. Sixty of Broadmead's 114 acres drain into the pond, and all of the runoff from the property goes into Western Run which in turn empties into Gunpowder Falls as it itself flows into Loch Raven Reservoir. The latter is a drinking water supply source, and thus the rules here for runoff management are stricter than in other areas. Mr. Hadaway's job is to see that this water meets the requirements of the federal Clean Water Act of 1972 and additional Baltimore County regulations. In addition to the pond, runoff quality will be further controlled by a requirement that both a portion of the Ridge forest and the 100-year flood plain be made conservation areas, not to be altered in any way. Except in times of extreme drought there will always be one or two feet of water in the lowest part of the bowl, one of the purposes here being groundwater recharge.

As mentioned, the major purpose of the pond is to slow the rush of storm water into Western Run by accumulating it during the storm and releasing it slowly after the storm has passed. A second and perhaps equally important function of the pond is to



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BEGIN AT THE END

By Nancy Dulaney Rowe -

I turn my head to pen a poem
Of what I have no notion
I only feel that strong impulse
To set my thoughts in motion.
The flame burns hot, it hisses blue
Igniting raw material
Releasing just one brilliant spark
To render it imperial.

Therein I learn, relearn a rule
Long taught but seldom used:
Conceive the end as you begin
So both are interfused.

IN MEMORIAM

Helen G. Wolstenholme

January 4, 1915

May 1, 2008

WRITERS GROUP**CELEBRATES****TWELFTH ANNUAL READING**

By Lynn Buck

It has become a popular tradition for members of the Writers Group to entertain the Broadmead Residents with a yearly reading that showcases brief samples of our writing. We represent a wide range of experiences and backgrounds providing a rich source of topics for the written word. Our Twelfth Annual Reading will take place at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 18, in the Main Lounge and Auditorium. Selections will include fiction, poetry, memoirs, letters, and personal essays. Refreshments will follow. We invite everyone to join us for an enjoyable evening.

The Writers Group meets every Friday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Fireplace Room. New members are always welcome.

"Birds Galore"

By Anne Allen B. Dandy

Marjorie Rhoades of G12 trudged gingerly up the small slope toward our porch and announced gleefully, "I have never seen anything like it. So many shades of blue. Ann and John Michener shared the view of the blue grosbeak at their feeder. Later the brilliant indigo bunting landed on my feeder. And of course I've been watching bluebirds checking out your 'Dandy' box."

Later that morning I was horrified when a copper hawk crashed the party but was relieved to see it depart with empty talons. Next a large long haired grey feral cat with four white paws appeared. It stalked among the bushes. A blue jay sounded an alarm. The birds escaped another close call.

Two blue bird houses have been installed on the adjacent lawn. The close one is occupied by bluebirds and the far one has been claimed by tree swallows.

An immature red-shouldered hawk was clearly visible on the nest high in a crotch of a sycamore by the Western Run on May 8th. Its parent was being bombarded by crows. Let's hope for a successful fledging soon.

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purify the water in some measure while it is being retained. Toward this end the area will eventually be filled with a variety of plants which will soak up water and absorb undesirable nutrients.

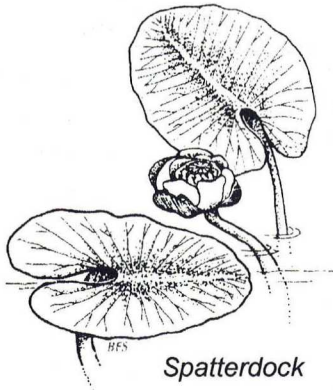
The planting plan includes plants suited to the varying wetland conditions. In the deepest part in the center, an area of constant inundation, yellow

water lilies (also known as spatterdock) and white water lilies will float on the surface. Moving outward from the center is a different planting zone, an area that is almost always saturated. Blue water iris, pickerel weed, arrowhead and soft-stemmed bulrush are some of the plants to be

used here. In the capillary fringe area at the outer edge there will be red osier dogwood and common alder. No cattails or weeping willows will be put in as they tend to multiply rapidly and crowd out other plants. Maintenance of the pond will be necessary to control these invasives, thus protecting the integrity of the embankments, and Mr. Hadaway plans to train our Broadmead personnel in that maintenance.

A three-rail post-and-beam fence will surround the area to keep Broadmead residents and others at bay. But this will not deter birds and other wildlife that will come to the area for shelter and food (seeds, tubers and leaves, nectar). The variety of seed heads, flowers and foliage will offer year-round interest.

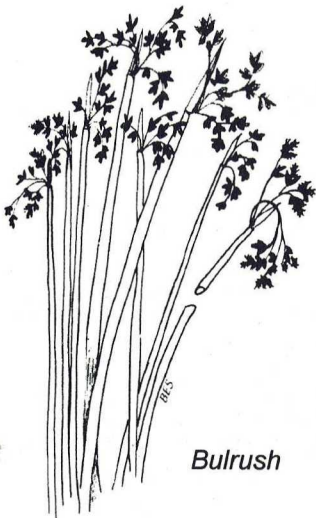
We can look forward to an attractive natural area as Broadmead complies with environmental regulations in managing the flow of water into Western Run.



Spatterdock



Blue
Iris



Bulrush

THE BIRTH RITES OF SPRING

By Nancy Rowe

"Calendars to the contrary, nature's year begins with spring," wrote Edwin Way Teale in North with the Spring.

On its birthday, which is the vernal equinox - when the sun crosses the equator - spring embarks on its long journey from the far south. For three months it moves steadily northward about fifteen miles a day, until it yields to summer at its northern terminus. As it travels, days become longer and the earth is gradually warmed.

The lengthening hours of light and the increasing angle of the sun's rays combine to trigger nature's awakening and to induce in plants and animals the chemical and hormonal changes required for their renewal, reproduction, and growth.

Light also sets the timetable for the migration of birds. Variations in wind, weather, temperature, and the availability of food all hold them back and carry them forward, but they persistently push to arrive at their breeding grounds on time.

In February the pointed mahogany hood of the skunk cabbage is warmer than the frozen swamp it pierces. In the wake of February thaws, Canada geese fly north on an advancing temperature front, the 35° isotherm - spring's "ice-breaker."

At 44° leaf buds burst, tiny leaves unfold, and trees don hazy, green veils. When surface air in woodland swamps is 50°, spring peepers respond in choruses. As flying insects emerge, swallows cruise above ponds and greening meadows. April flowers open at their preset times in forest, field and swamp. In early May when songbirds reach their highest concentrations in Maryland they are in full voice, singing their characteristic courtship lyrics.

Spring is nature's most entertaining season, whether viewed through a window or experienced outdoors. Engaging all five senses, spring is a season to be savored.

ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS

By Gretel D. Weiss

At the April 17th Open Forum we had the pleasure of listening to three speakers not just one, as we usually do. The program was devoted to "Engineers Without Borders" (EWB).

Dr. William P. Ball is Professor of Environmental Engineering at Johns Hopkins University. He has a joint appointment in the Department of Geography and Environmental and Civil Engineering. Aside from being a very active researcher with over 60 peer-reviewed publications, he has been the faculty advisor to the Hopkins Chapter of Engineers Without Borders and the principal professional mentor for the group's activities in South Africa.

It was indicative of the professional cooperation between professor and student that the first speaker was one of the students. Shane Woodwine is the president of the Hopkins chapter of Engineers Without Borders. He is a senior studying computer engineering and computer science at Hopkins. He became involved with the chapter because of "a desire to improve the public perception of college students." He sees college students as effectively impacting and benefiting communities abroad as well as their college campus. He wants to motivate and equip students at Johns Hopkins to fulfill EWB's vision of "changing the world, one community at a time." Mr. Woodwine read the group's mission statement and asked what the statement really means. It means working in a community and finding out what the community really needs. It means making a long-term commitment exploring how the students can partner with the community. It means training people in the community to maintain the system the students will put in place, and it also means training a new generation of students to become a "global-minded generation".

Dr. Ball was the next speaker. He said that EWB's projects have changed his life. This generation of students are globally-minded and care about the world. The first project was in South Africa, and it began there because Hopkins had some contacts. The study site is in one of nine provinces in South Africa. Dr. Ball pointed out that the biggest problem in South Africa now is HIV-AIDS, some of the highest incidences in the world. It is the grandmothers who raise vegetables for the children, and Professor Ball showed pictures of how they carried water on their heads for long distances going uphill. That was before EWB. The "after" picture showed the newly installed pump which runs with energy from the stream itself without electricity. One of the most ex-

citing aspects of the project is that the students and the grandmothers learn from each other. The grandmothers taught the students how to dig. Instead of using a burst of energy followed by resting, the grandmothers taught the students how to pace themselves - steady digging at a somewhat slower pace had better results and less exhaustion. On the other hand, the grandmothers had never seen white people working alongside them digging ditches. Thus a new idea emerged, "agriculturalists without borders." The pump the students installed has a low volume but runs 24 hours a day.

Professor Ball was followed by Linda Wan, a third year undergraduate majoring in civil engineering. She serves as vice-president of EWB at Hopkins, and last year she was the project leader of the Ecuador project in an earthquake-prone area. The community needed a day care center, as the mothers work for flower exporters, the area's biggest means of support. Linda told us about the project in which she was very much involved. In Ecuador and in Guatemala water is a big problem. In Guatemala water had to be brought up from the bottom of a ravine, and it was the children who were sent to bring up the water on a long walk up a steep hill.

Again, there is no electricity, and it had to be worked out how to pump up the water from the ravine. It was pointed out again and again that the projects are two-way processes. The students had to learn what the community really wants. The Guatemala project is in a civil war area, and the community is very skeptical. The questions on their minds were whether a group of college students can really work, and were they really there for a long-term commitment.

During the question and answer period Dr. Ball was asked how EWB supports its projects. Dr. Ball's reply was that they get money wherever they can. Each student is asked to raise her/his own travel funds. The Rotary Club is very helpful, and the University is very supportive. Like the Girl Scouts, Hopkins students sell cookies. Dr. Ball emphasized the unique nature of EWB. Yes, the students work, but the point is that the students' education is enhanced by helping others and learning at the same time. The hope is to build a "sustainable development project." Students don't just set out on their own; they learn through partnering with professionals.

It was a pleasure to see how excited the students and their professional adviser were about their projects. And there seemed to be no doubt that the students see the world very differently after working with native communities. The water projects must also have enhanced the quality of life in the communities.

MALCOLM SHERMAN

"FAIR IN DEED"

By Fran Beasley

When Malcolm Sherman toured Broadmead in 2005 the loft apartments had just been completed. They are striking units, the dominant feature being a glassed-front, two-story great room, and, of course, the loft. That is not everyone's idea of retirement living, but, to Mal it was ideal. He moved in and decorated it handsomely.

Nor has Mal's life been typical. At the age of five he and an older sister were sent to a boarding school in Switzerland. His only comment: "My mother was Auntie Mame." She certainly was not the average parent, ...but an interesting one.

Somewhere in those growing-up years Malcolm developed a taste for altruistic deeds and a talent for making a success of those things which he tackled.

In 1949 he began what became a successful career in Real Estate. Real Estate is a business which has changed significantly over the past fifty-one years, and Mal was in the forefront of many of the changes.

In the 1960's he became deeply involved in fair-housing activities. He served as a member of President Kennedy's National Committee on Equal Opportunities in Housing. He traveled nationally, addressing real estate groups on reasons and needs of establishing legislation at every level of government. He was an advisor to the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and was a member of the Baltimore County Human relations Committee – along with Chester Wickwire. He became a member of the Baltimore City Mayor's Committee on the Study of Equality of Opportunity in Housing. He pushed for open housing legislation in the county and state as well as the city. Malcolm was the first white real estate broker to train blacks as associates, giving them a guaranteed draw while in training. He was actively engaged in open housing sales as an owner of one of the largest real estate companies in Baltimore working on a neighborhood basis with community leaders and home owners.

Those activities were carried out in an era when real estate groups and home owners opposed legislation at every level, contending that property rights took precedence over human rights. Mal was opposed on many sides. As he fully expected, his

business declined drastically as a consequence, but he felt it was well worth it.

Finally, in 1968 the Fair Housing law was passed under President Johnson. It required that the sale and rental of real estate property must be available to all people, regardless of race, creed or national origin.

Mal says that, when he reflects on those years, a line from James Baldwin's book, *The Fire Next Time*, comes to mind: "Whoever debases another is debased himself."

Even in retirement this energetic man is active. At Broadmead he sells in the Country Store, occasionally writes an article for *The Voice*, and mans the Reception Desk. On one occasion he stayed on duty for a full day when weather prevented staff from arriving. He serves on the Open Forum committee and is a member of the Writers' Group and the Multi-Cultural Committee. He arranged for both his

daughter, Wendy Sherman, and her husband, Bruce Stokes, to share their world knowledge with us on two Saturday night programs. Wendy was counselor with rank of Ambassador to Madeline



Albright. Bruce is Co-Editor of The Pew Report.

Mal was recently presented by The National Association of Realtors with a copy of their book, *100 Years in Celebration of the American Dream*. He is featured in the chapter on Fair Housing under the title (which we borrowed): *Fair in Deed*. He received the Realtor's Life Achievement Award for his fair housing activities. The book was released in October, 2007. Mal attended the National Association of Realtors Centennial Gala in Washington on May 14th. He was seated with Stacey Moncrieff, the editor of the commemorative book.

CONGRATULATIONS, Mal!

PROBLEMS OF THE OBITUARY WRITER

By Walter Dandy

Fred Rasmussen, Head Obituary Writer of *The Baltimore Sun* presented a very enjoyable description of the many pitfalls that face the obituary author in constructing an interesting and newsworthy story.

The Obituary Department will decide whose life will be covered, and they will need help in the factual aspects from the surviving family. The candidate may not have been born in Baltimore but his life should have revolved around it.

Mr. Rasmussen said that finding the facts of a subject's life may be quite difficult. Grandma's college experience, degrees, awards and service history may be a mystery. (He also noted that she should never be called a housewife but rather a homemaker, which is a form of work.) Armed service experience may be very interesting, but, unless prior details of rank, theater of operation, decorations, and the like have been previously documented, they must be provided here. Fred also pointed out the uniqueness of Baltimore in its lack of interest in college attendance relative to high school loyalty. If the obit writer credits attendance to Poly rather than City, or Gilman rather than McDonough, he will receive irate phone calls.

A very sticky problem is the way convicted crimes are handled. This information may not be wanted by the family but must be included as news and may have influenced later behavior, even leading to reformation and great accomplishments. If the family does not want this included, they must use the death notices in the advertising section; here the obit is written by the family and can omit the penal history.

Mr. Rasmussen commented briefly on his interest in local history which utilizes his access to the files of the Sunpapers. A recent report on the death of The B&O Railroad's crack train, *The Royal Blue*, 50 years ago was very popular.

The seemingly morbid subject was greatly enjoyed because of the speaker's appropriate sense of humor.

THE BIRDS AND THE BEASTS

By Ruth S. Williams

Some people travel, I have heard,
Just to see many different birds.
They list them all one by one
And that is the greatest fun.

But four legged beasts are my game.
I've sought them all, both wild and tame.
In Kenya, cheetahs, leopards, and wart hogs,
Lions, giraffes, and third world dogs.

On sunny isles, I counted the cats,
In Australia, koalas and wombats,
Sheep in Wales,
monkeys in Belize,
Mountain goats in the Pyrenees.

So while you count the geese and ducks
And everything that sings or clucks,
I'll list the four legged beasts
From the largest to the least.

Lions, tigers, mice, and raccoons,
Blue jays, herons, larks, and loons,
Whether they have two legs or four,
Whether they chirp or whether they roar,

All God's creatures are in our care.
He gave us the Earth, but we must share.

INSIGHT

By Flo Rice Dunlop

"Wait, wait, wait," she said, shielding out the
slowing world.
Reality, hung on the searching scope of
minds' narrow focus,
Waited for freedom and truth's laser light
And the cleansing release of tears.

OPERA VIDEO

By Harry Blumenthal

"BORIS GODUNOV"

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Acts 1 & 2 Friday, June 20th

7 p.m. in the Fireplace Room

Acts 3 & 4 Friday, June 27th

7 p.m. in the Auditorium



LET'S DANCE

By Ted Wilson

With the

George Hipp Trio

Everyone welcome to dance
or just to enjoy the music.

Monday

June 9th at 7:00 p.m.

In the Lounge



MUSIC EVENTS

By Phil Schnering

Sunday

June 1st at 2:00 p.m.

FRED MOYER, PIANIST

Fred has always been our favorite pianist
and should please us again

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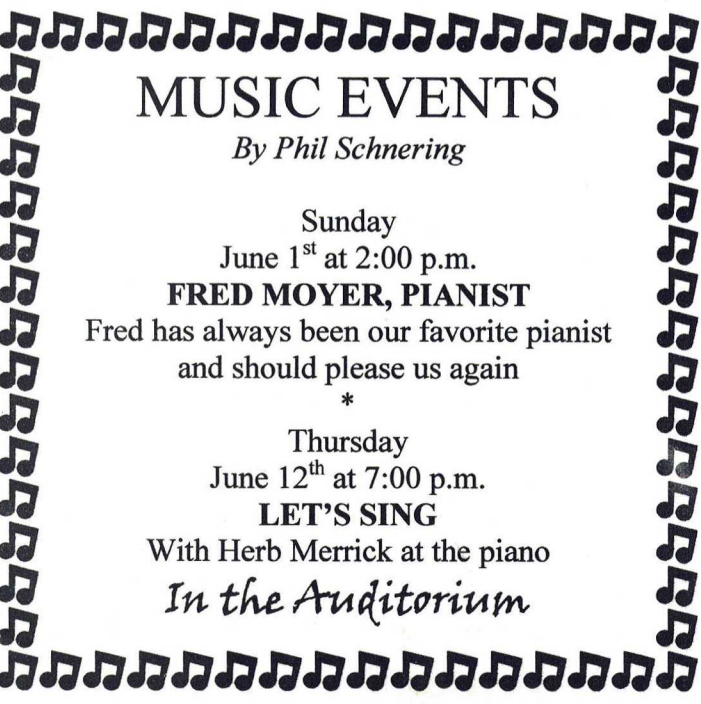
Thursday

June 12th at 7:00 p.m.

LET'S SING

With Herb Merrick at the piano

In the Auditorium



FRIENDS MEETING FOR WORSHIP

Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
Stony Run Board Room

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP AT BROADMEAD

1st Wednesday every month at 10:30 a.m.

EPISCOPAL COMMUNION

Taylor East Lounge - 3rd floor

Sponsored by Sherwood Episcopal Church
York Road, Cockeysville

2nd Wednesday every month at 10:00 a.m.

CATHOLIC MASS

Taylor East Lounge - 3rd floor

Sponsored by the Catholic Community of
St. Francis Xavier, Cuba Road Hunt Valley

3rd Wednesday every month at 10:30 a.m.

PRESBYTERIAN COMMUNION

Stony Run Activities Room - 3rd floor

Sponsored by Ashland Presbyterian Church
Ashland Road, Cockeysville

VESPERS

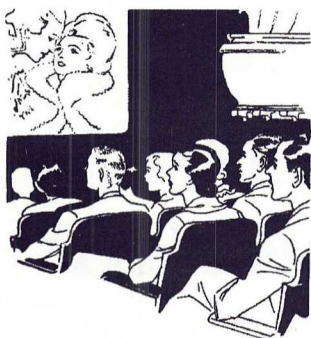
By Randy McKechnie

Sunday

June 15th at 4:30 p.m.

In the lounge

The Reverend Matthew McNaught
Towson Unitarian Universalist Church
Emeritus



BROADMEAD MOVIES

Tuesday Movies
Marjorie & Louis Gold
Saturday Movies
Linda King
& Jeanne Stephenson

June 3 **GOOD WILL HUNTING**
1997 126 minutes PG13

Will Hunting is an aimless young man until his mathematical genius is discovered. Robin Williams, his therapist, helps. Will confronts the demons that have held him back.

June 10 **MRS. BROWN**
1997 105 minutes G

Grieving widow, Queen Victoria is played by Judith Dench, withdrawn into sadness for years, until John Brown disrupts her grieving. Mrs. Brown portrays the woman behind the Empire.

June 14 **LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL**
1997 110 minutes PG13

This is a story of a child caught in the Holocaust whose father sacrifices his life to save him. Suburb acting by Roberto Benigni and Giorgio Cantarini I who plays the part of his son.

June 17 **THE BUCKET LIST**
2007 97 minutes PG 13

In a race against the Reaper, two terminally ill men plan to experience life to the fullest. Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman star in this caper.

June 24 **IMMORTAL BELOVED**
1944 121 minutes R

Through a series of flashbacks we see the artistic and romantic passions of Ludwig von Beethoven. The finale features a magical encapsulation of Beethoven's life and loves set to his "Ode to Joy".

July 5 **MY FAIR LADY**
1964 173 minutes G

Who can resist this Lerner-Loewe musical, based on the play by George Bernard Shaw. Audrey Hepburn stars as Eliza Doolittle, the Cockney flower girl who is transformed into a lady by the master linguist, Professor Higgins, played by Rex Harrison. After more than forty years, it is still one of the best Hollywood musicals.

SATURDAY PROGRAMS

By Suzanne Schlenger

In the auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

June 7th

Benjamin Banneker First Black Man Of Science and Mathematics

*By Gwen Marable,
Collateral descendant*

June 21st

Travel in Eastern Europe *By John Butler*

June 28th

The Fascinating Lives of our Local Birds

*By Irvine Nature Center's
Robert Mardiney*

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION RECEPTION

**Tuesday, June 3rd, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Main Lounge & Auditorium**

Broadmead's annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception will be held Tuesday, June 3rd, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., in the Main Lounge & Auditorium.

All Residents, Volunteers, & Staff are invited to enjoy fellowship, refreshments, and the classical piano of Esfir Shumyatskaya as we honor the wonderful service of our Volunteers. If you have any questions, please contact Whitney Leber, Volunteer Coordinator, 410-527-1900 ext.3991.

HITHER, THITHER AND YAWN.

With Foxy Georgia-

What ho !..jes' like the song sez. June is bustin' out all over.. and if this is your trouble.. get yourself up to the bizzzybee gals in at Sew and So but most of us went to the Barn Sale got 'nother size....golly, everybody was there, working, buying, eating the goodies from the bake shop set up by Eleanor Casey, Kitty Stierhoff and Natalie Bellows. . . rum yum... .. those hot wires Bob Morrison and John McShane (off to Maine for the summer to cool off) were plugged into the electronics dept, and that joollady Weezie Davis and her cast of gems the two Priscillas, Fleecie Platt, sparkled in a 24 karat way.. . Barbara Smith rattled a hole lot of pots and pans....in "the ready to wear" dept, they were all ready...saw Martha Robbins (husband John creates those super signs for all the depts...hope he'll sharpen up the sign down on York Road). .. oops!, I digress! . . . Merrill Hambleton, Janet Greenwald, chief Vol. Hunter,... Nancy Alchin. .. ever faithful Bonnie Cox to mention a few... .. plus the cashier clan, Mary Frances Wagley, Paula Balser, Sally Bloomer, Sally Crosby, Pat Lackey, Marie Ewing, Gretel Weiss, Betsy Schrauder. Special kudos to that super bag and shoe lady, Magda Reissig.. and then the those asset adders, Bob Davies, Lois Sexton, Charlie Lee, Jeanette Royston, Pat Rodak, back to help out.. and Donna Smith... .This is only a smattering of all the super broads and guys who worked so hard to make the sale a huge success... didn't even get into the wonder workers who set it all up and tore down.. wow!! ... but that power behind it all ,Marjorie Scott.. whatta gal.. !! she'. s sump in else! ! . . .

Thanks to all the rain we've had, the water drainage excavation has now turned into a pool, ..the sidewalk-superintendents, Peggy Taliaferro, Carol McCord, Bill Eddison, (did you see him running for the bus to EveryMan Theater with that new knee? Big Brown, look out), Barbara Koppelman, Bruce Murdock, Susie Fetter and Ellie Hobleman.. keep sharp eyes on the Big Dig...

The gaming group has endless bridge games night and day.. while Ginny Cooke dug out a splendid mahjong set. The Scrabble rabble is thinning down, and would welcome new players.. The two Ruths, Bronstein, and Williams, Betty Mohr, Steve Simon and Nancy Schaefer are among the faithful. They will let you win if you keep score... .this is one place you can use 4 letter words and not have your mouth washed out! Don't hear much from the Bingo bangos.. wassup?

The Book Reading group is going strong, with our special Rev. George Toole as our leader... Barbara Vosburgh, Ann Allen and Frances Alden

work out assigned reading material, and we spy Betsy Griffin knitting away, Sally Lynn and Bill Duff, Sita Smith, Virginia Cooley (the mike gal) among the gang.. . its real good fun and good for you too.. the Book Mobile brings the books to us- all you have to do is read and talk..not a problem with this crowd!

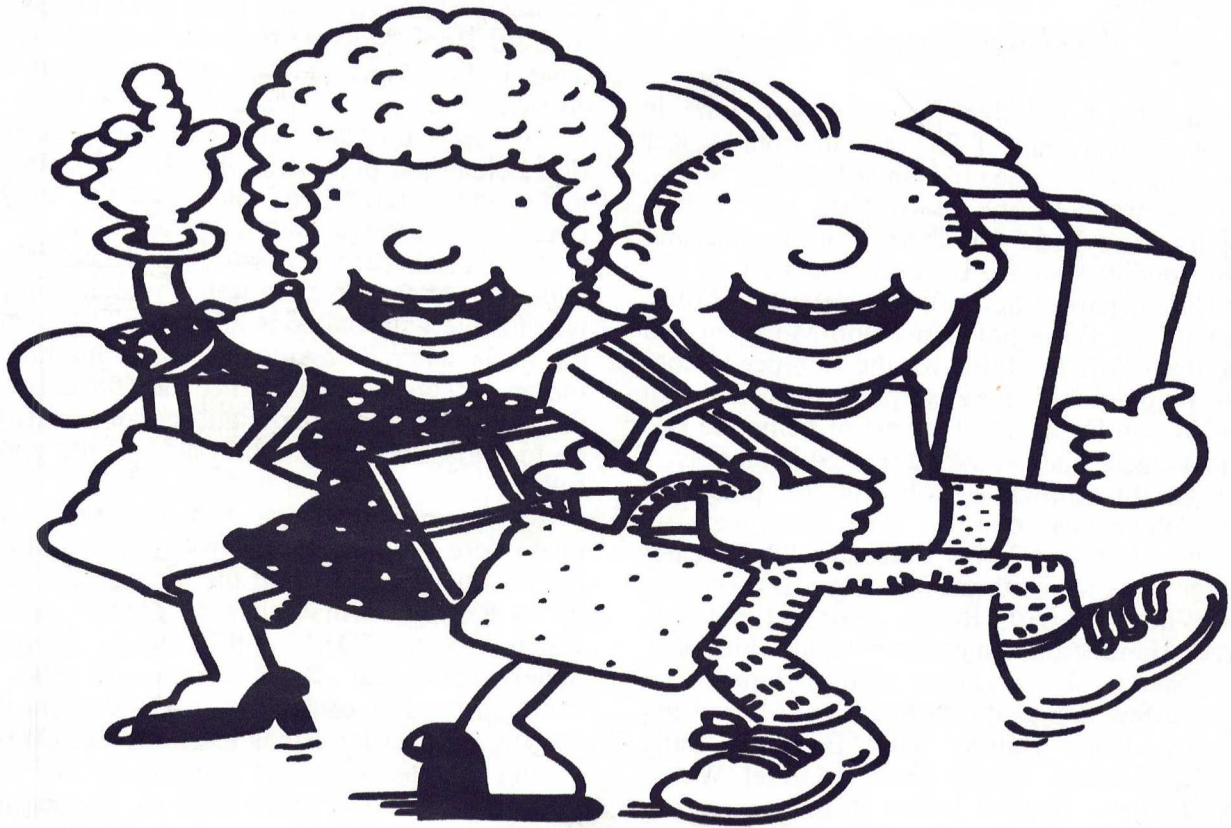
Lee Sanborn celebrated a happy birthday and Phil Schnering, presenting the Handel Choir concert that Sunday afternoon, dedicated the program to Lee.. . some present, and note-worthy!

Those spirited Spirits, gave us another international dinner.. this time India.. and the dining room was festive with balloons and flags.. Margaret Proctor flashed her nose ring and caste mark,... several Indian jackets, etc, thank heavens no cobras... but the menu was tantalizing, and good... next time, we go to Paris, and then, ooh-la-la.. let the good times roll. ! !

Spring in Maryland is hoss time.. the local races were always fun, but the" greatest of course is the Kentucky Derby, and the annual "do" was done up in Racing Form with a full house gathering to watch... .in true Derby attire, Bunny Knipp, Carrie Scheflow, Bettie Byerly, sported hats. .Bunny trimmed her red number with real flowers from her garden. . . . Shirley Richards set up her OTB sheets, among others... cheering Big Brown and saddened by 8 Belles were Cynthia Ballard, Bettie Hollyday, Betsey Spragins, Bobby Dunlap, Ed Marsh, Nancy and Doug Warner, Marge Tuttle, and just about every one else you can think of. . . . great and bountiful food kept us happy. . . but nary a mint julep. (maybe next year?) and by the time you get this rag in your hands, it will be Preakness time.. . . is there be a triple crown in our future?

Ya know how important shoes are to a hoss. So the glass case girls, Nancy Boyce in the saddle ,showed us shoes of all sorts "but no hoss shoes...Ann Remington, among others gathered up baby shoes, Dr. Meissner's no no 4"-heeled shoe, a bronze shoe, a contemporary Chinese shoe, with a Firestone tire rubber sole, Weezie Davis' needlepoint slippers.. (aren't your tootsies getting cold?) and lotsa intriguing types of footwear... ..stop by and take a look you'll love it! very creative!

Sue Schlenger came up with Sherlock Holmes, all dressed up in his deer stalker hat; and carrying his famous pipe.. what fun !!...a goodly crowd of Broadmead irregulars were on hand.. amongst them, Dorothy Krug, Eli Freedman, Jeannette Brawner, Ted Wilson, Hope and Bill Benson, Claire Eckels and Fran Beasley. Betsy Griffin reports that Nancy Rowe, our poetess glory-iate, ended her letter to her Goucher reunion class with these words.. . . . "I may be finished, but I am not diminished". . . . (forgive me if this is quoted incorrectly). thank you, Nancy for an elegant couplet.. covers this effort completely. had 'nuff!



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